

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (currently amended). A set, in particular for fixed combs or round combs on textile combing machines, comprising a plurality of needles which are arranged adjacent to each other, whereby each needle comprises a foot section and a tip section, and whereby between the tip sections of adjacent needles, a free opening area is formed, in which the fibres to be combed can penetrate during combing, **characterised in that**

wherein

- the needles are produced by punching
- at least the front end of the tip section is angular or previously bent, and
- the needle density is $> = 33$ needles per cm.

2 (currently amended). A set according to claim 1,

characterised in that wherein the needle density is 35 needles per cm.

3 (currently amended). A set according to claim 1,
~~characterised in that~~ wherein the needle depth is greater than
1.1 mm, preferably greater than 1.3 mm, and in particular
approx. 1.5 mm.

4 (currently amended). A set according to claim 1,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the needle thickness is approx.
0.28 mm.